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Sir :

In accordance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. §1.56 and §§1.97-1.98,

Applicants hereby call to the Examiner's attention the following documents:

Japanese Laid-Open Patent Publication No. 2002-100148, which was published on April 5, 2002 and is mentioned on page 1 of the specification of the present application, together with patent family member U.S. Patent Application Publication No. 2002/0170998 to SHIMA et al., which was published on November 21, 2002.

Further to the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office's decision to waive the requirement under 37 C.F.R. §1.98 (a)(2)(i), a copy of the U.S. patent application publication is not enclosed herewith. However, if any copies are needed, the Examiner is respectfully requested to contact the undersigned.

Applicants respectfully requests that the Examiner consider the above material and cite the same. A copy of the above-noted foreign document is attached hereto and

both of the documents have been listed on the attached PTO-1449 Form. The Examiner is requested to initial the appropriate spaces on the attached Form and to return a copy of the completed Form to the Applicants with the next official communication in the present application.

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Should the Examiner have any questions, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the below-listed telephone number.

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